

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:361
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Textile Workers
Trivedi Shri Dinesh

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of schemes under which the textile workers are provided the insurance in the country including the coverage and premium of insurance schemes;
- (b) the number of textile workers in the country covered by different kinds of insurance during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether such schemes are regularly evaluated by the Government; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. *361 for answer on 13.08.2015 regarding 'Textile Workers' by Shri Dinesh Trivedi.

(a): The following schemes are implemented to provide insurance coverage to textile workers/weavers:

- i) The Mahatma Gandhi Bunkar Bima Yojana which provides insurance cover to handloom weavers in the case of natural/accidental death and for total/partial disability as well as scholarship to their children. The total premium is Rs. 470 /- of which the worker / weaver has to contribute only Rs. 80 /- premium.
- ii) The Health Insurance Scheme to provide access to health facilities for handloom weavers which was implemented upto 30th September 2014 and thereafter implemented on the Rajiv Gandhi Swasthya Bima Yojana platform. The premium is borne by Central and State Governments. The works / weaver's contribution is Rs. 30 /- premium.
- iii) The Rajiv Gandhi Shilpi Swasthya Bima Yojana to provide access to health care facilities to handicrafts artisans which was implemented upto the year 2012-13. The premium is borne by Central and State Governments. The works / weaver's contribution is Rs. 30 /- premium.
- iv) The Aam Admi Bima Yojana for handicrafts artisans to provide life insurance cover to handicrafts artisans as well as scholarship to their children. The total premium is Rs. 470 /- of which the worker / weaver has to contribute only Rs. 80 /- premium.
- v) The Group Insurance Scheme for powerloom weavers/workers implemented in association with the Life Insurance Corporation providing coverage for all natural/accidental death as well as permanent/partial disability due to accident as well as scholarship to their children. The total premium is Rs.470 /- of which the worker / weaver has to contribute only Rs.80 /- premium.
- vi) Sheep breeders insurance scheme which provides life insurance to sheep breeders as well as scholarship to their children. The breeder contributes Rs. 80 /- to the annual premium.
- vii) Health insurance scheme for sericulture farmers was implemented upto 2013-14.

(b): The number of textile workers/weavers covered under the above insurance schemes during the last three years and current year are given in Annexure.

(c & d): Yes, Madam. Evaluation of the schemes is done from time to time by independent evaluation agencies as well as through the governmental mechanism and appropriate remedial measures are taken accordingly. This is a continuing process.